Mismanagement in handloom industry

784. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the handloom industry is severely hit due to bureaucratic mismanagement in Handloom Export Promotion Council as per analysis in the Economic Times of 22nd October, 1988; and

(b) if so, what corrective steps have been taken or are proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) In view of adverse reports on the functioning of Handloom Export Promotion Council, it was decided to transfer work relating to registration of handloom goods to the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handlooms), which has the necessary infrastructure to undertake this work.

Fire in the customs collectorate in Bombay

785. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether 50 per cent of the paper-work of the intelligence wing of the Customs Collectorate in Bommay were destroyed in the fire on 5th October, 1988 at Westview building, Colaba, Bombay;

(b) if so, what are the details of the papers destroyed;

(c) whether some papers pertaining to the affairs of the Reliance Industries Limited were also destroyed in the fire;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof;

(e) what steps are being taken to complete the records;

(f) whether any investigation has been made regarding the cause of the fire; and

(g) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) to (d) Some records of West Regional unit of the Directorate General of Inspection (Customs & Central Excise) have been destroyed in the fire. The Intelligence Wing of Customs Collectorate of Bombay is not located in the Westview building, Colaba, Bombay. Therefore, the question of destruction of records in the fire, belonging to them does not arise. No papers pertaining to the affairs of Reliance Industries were destroyed in the fire. Details of papres destroyed in the fire are given below:—

Department	No. of closed files destroyed (Approximately)	No. of ccrrent files destroyed (Approximately
Customs	35	10
Central Excise	104	24

(e) Immediate steps have been taken for reconstructing the current files destroyed in the fire, on the basis of records available with the field formations.

(f) and (g) Both the Police and the Fire Brigade Authorities are presently investigating the cause of the fire and their report is still awaited.

Arrests made in connection with murder of a labourer and a contractor in Delhi

786. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently one police driver of Inderpuri police